TOWN of ALTON
REPORT

FROM....
C. H. DOWNING.
Bay Hill Farm,
ALTON BAY, N. H.

1908

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, CLERK AND

SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

TOWN OF ALTON

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1908

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FARMINGTON, N. H.

1908.

TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN,

CHARLES H. McDUFFEE, LEWIS H. LAMPREY
FRANK M. AYER.

TOWN CLERK,

WALDO C. VARNEY.

TREASURER,

LABAN G. WELCH.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

WILLIE E. SANBORN.

AUDITORS,

CHARLES H. DOWNING, WILLIS P. EMERSON.

SUPERVISORS,

LABAN G. WELCH, SYLVESTER B. HUCKINS,
ELAM R. WRIGHT.

SCHOOL BOARD,

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS, ALTA H. McDUFFEE,
ALBERT J. JONES.

FIRE WARDS,

GEORGE W. PLACE, ALONZO B. LANG,
CHARLES H. DOWNING.

BOARD OF HEALTH,

CHARLES E. FIFIELD, CHARLES E. HUTCHINS,
FRANK M. AYER.

POLICE,

EDWARD W. FRANCIS.

CONSTABLE,

GEORGE W. PLACE.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION OF ALTON.

Real estate, number of acres 35,605, value . .			$524,995 00
Personal estate including polls			141,425 00
Total value			$666,420 00
	No.	Average.	
Polls	341	$100 00	$34,100 00
Horses	403	65 06	26,219 00
Oxen	66	49 02	3,235 00
Cows	574	28 76	16,509 00
Neat stock	159	19 69	3,130 00
Sheep	162	3 74	606 00
Fowls	110	45	49 00
Hogs	10	6 70	67 00
Carriages	13	69 23	900 00
Stock in public funds			1,000 00
Stock in banks and other corporations			1,700 00
Stock in trade			22,960 00
Aqueducts			12,000 00
Mills and machinery			7,600 00
Money on deposit			500 00
Buildings not designated			750 00
Power boats			10,100 00
Total			$141,425 00

Total amount of taxes raised		$15,660 87
State tax	$1,355 00	
County tax	1,822 74	
School tax	4,382 50	
Highway tax	2,411 05	
Permanent improvement fund	655 00	
Fireman Tax	105 00	
Library tax	181 30	
Town tax	4,600 00	
Percentage	148 28	
Total		$15,660 87

Tax on poll $2 35

RECEIPTS.

Amount of taxes charged to collector		$15,660 87
Cash in treasury Feb 15, 1907	$2,145 11	
1906 taxes due from collector	896 28	
Samuel E Jones, int 1906 taxes	37 87	
Received of C H McDuffee, Joseph Dore heirs tax '00, '01	41 67	
C H McDuffee 1906 taxes	2 25	
L H Lamprey, Leon F Furber tax 1906	15 19	
L H Lamprey, license F S Storey	2 00	
Alonzo S French, note	500 00	
C H McDuffee, Oak-Birch park corp tax 1906	182 36	
L H Lamprey, license F A Robbins	4 00	
State board license com	145 27	
C H McDuffee, G W Bemis tax 1906	1 32	

Received of L H Lamprey, Peter Brackett tax 1906	1 34	
L H Lamprey, Belknap Spring Land Co tax 1906	77 31	
C H McDuffee, E E Lane tax'04	1 68	
" railroad tax	1,084 17	
" savings bank tax	1,140 49	
" literary fund	117 12	
" proportion of school fund	283 33	
" Belknap County	177 87	
" "	95 50	
Waldo C Varney, dog license	335 17	
F M Ayer, hall rent	101 00	
C H McDuffee, taxes G W Berry homestead	160 00	
Total		$23,209 17

EXPENDITURES.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Charles E Tuttle, care hand engine	$ 15 00
Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Farmington News Co, printing reports . .	64 00
" " " check list	13 50
" " " ballots . .	4 50
" " express on reports .	56
Edson C Eastman, order and collector books	4 25
Lewis P Varney, firemen 1906	27 20
Margaret A Wadleigh, int on note . . .	60 00
Fred E Nutter, painting signs	1 25
Alton Electric Light & Power Co, lights for fountains	10 00

Paid Margeret A Wadleigh, ind on note . . .	500 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Alonzo S French, library appropriation . .	181 30
M H Savage Post Memorial appropriation	50 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
Mindwell Whitehouse, ind on note	25 00
Frank A Varney, school money	300 00
Albert J Jones, school supplies . .	138 22
Orin Lamper, services at fire 1906 . . .	1 20
John E Card, dog damage	4 25
Calvin S Glidden, "	5 00
Lewis E Avery, "	15 50
Charles E Hutchins, board of health supplies	50 00
Elbridge G Ellis, dog damage	17 75
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Geo W Place, coal for town hall . .	47 85
Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co, gasoline . . .	27 21
George W Horne, dog damage	25 00
Clement B Rines, granite for bridge . .	6 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
W M Stevens, wood, town hall	6 75
William Hayes, ind on note	74 10
Joseph Lealand, dog damage	3 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Frank M Ayer, janitor	50 00
" " care of clock	10 00
Alton Electric Light & Power Co, lights for fountains	10 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Mindwell Whitehouse, ind on note . . .	100 00
Stephen Shagnon, dog damage	5 00
The Downing Co, drain pipe	30 52
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co, hydrants .	500 00

Paid Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Albert J Jones, school supplies . . .	237 13
James Dobbins, repairing slate on hall . .	21 25
Alton Electric Light & Power Co, lights for fountains	10 00
Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co, gasoline . .	27 12
E R Wright, return of births and deaths .	1 50
Geo W Leavitt, bridge plank	16 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Everett W Emerson, dog damage	1 00
Alonzo S French, note and int	508 75
P H Weeler, return of births and deaths .	3 50
Edwin K Jenkins, watering tub 1907 .	3 00
Edward W Cummings, return of marriages	1 25
Alonzo S French, int on Palmer fund library	17 50
W P Emerson, pung for Hose Co No 2 .	2 00
" " supplies	25
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co, balance on hydrants	299 00
Herbert J Jones, insurance town hall . .	100 00
J Jones & Son, supplies	9 48
Frank M Ayer, janitor	25 00
" " care of clock	5 00
" " extra labor	14 55
Ira W Mitchell, care Nute lot 1907 . . .	2 00
" " painting tomb	2 85
J H Fifield, teams to fires	5 00
Edson C Eastman, invoice book . . .	15 00
Meville Adams, clerk Hose Co. No. 1 . .	73 25
Oscar Duncan, blacksmith work	15 65
E W Francis, dog officer	6 50
" " tramps	5 00
C E Hutchins, board of health supplies .	19 51
Forest H Rollins, watering tub '07 .	3 00

Paid Frank L Emerson, tramps	75
Herbert A Garland, winter work '07 . . .	4 95
Jones & Lamprey, supplies	1 05
Geo W Place, wood	12 50
" " tramps	43 50
" " transportation charges to house of correction	30 00
Joseph W Howard, watering tub '07 . .	3 00
Solon A Carter, state tax	1,355 00
Stephen B Cole, county tax	1,822 74
Willis P Emerson, clerk Hose Co. No 2 .	50 20
Willie E Sanborn, paid for council fee . .	2 00
Margaret A Wadleigh, ind on note . . .	548 33
Chas H McDuffee, recording inventory .	15 00
Chas H McDuffee, recording inventory precinct	5 00
Chas H McDuffee, care of order book .	5 00
" " car fare, postage, and stationery	3 19
Frank M Ayer, renting town hall	3 00
" " expense town meeting . .	1 50
Frank A Varney, balance school money .	285 97
David H Morrison, watering tub '07 . .	3 00
C C Mooney, road work '06-7 . . .	1 20
Lewis H Lamprey, expense	1 24
Page D Gooch, guardian, note and interest	325 65
Stephen C Wentworth, bridge plank . .	16 50
Alonzo S French, ind on note	1,000 00
Esther A Varney, note in full	317 32
Total	$14,239 60

PAUPERS.

Paid P H Wheeler, aid to Henry Reil, county	$ 7 50
W P Emerson, " " Mattie Hayes "	64 50
" " " " Mrs. Paquette "	1 37
P H Wheeler, " " Jack Normand "	4 50
W P Emerson " " Mattie Hayes "	13 50
Total	$ 91 37

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

Paid the J H Downing Co, county	$104 00
W P Emerson "	78 00
Total	$182 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Alonzo S French, moderator Mar '07	$ 2 00
Lewis P Varney, selectman	1 00
Waldo C Varney "	3 00
Harry Morrison "	3 00
Chas H Downing, fire ward	5 00
Geo W Place " "	6 67
Alonzo B Lang " "	5 00
Frank M Ayer, ballot inspector Nov '06 and Mar '07	4 00
Frank M Ayer, board of health	5 00
Percy S Jones, town clerk	5 50
E W Francis, police	12 50
Laban G Welch, supervisor Mar '07 . . .	7 00
Chas E Hutchins, board of health . . .	20 00
Geo W Place, constable	23 00

Paid Chas E Fifield, board of health	22 00
" " truant officer	3 75
" " probation officer 6 months ending Dec 31, '07	7 50
Laban G Welch, treasurer	50 00
Chas H McDuffee, selectman	86 00
" " overseer of the poor	15 00
Frank M Ayer, selectman	78 00
Arthur D Rollins, school board	20 00
Alta H McDuffee, school board	30 00
Albert J Jones " "	20 00
Frank A Varney, school district treasurer	15 00
Waldo C Varney, town clerk	64 60
Lewis H Lamprey, selectman	68 00
Willis P Emerson, auditor	3 00
Charles H Downing, "	3 00
Total	$588 52

WINTER WORK ON HIGHWAY, 1906 and 1907.

Paid H E Hayes	$9 97
R A Frohock	8 60
William Hayes	5 32
George S Chamberlin	4 61
Samuel E P Gilman	6 75
P H Walker	16 97
William A Varney	1 87
A E Barnes	4 87
Stephen Barnes	6 97
Seth D Hurd	75
J L Rollins	4 00
R A Frohock	24 90
Albert D Varney	23 15
Charles E Hodgdon	12 15

Paid John C Page	6	60
John R Tufts	5	70
P H Walker	6	50
William A Varney	1	28
Frank W Grey	1	00
Charles Y Thyng		50
Hadley F Gilman	18	00
Harold C Ricker	4	00
George W Place	36	00
Ira W Mitchell	6	00
Charles H W Jones	28	08
Fred E Glidden	31	26
George W Lamper	31	73
Moses Ellis	1	50
Harry L Flanders	2	03
Willis E Glidden	22	50
Orrin and David Lamper	19	60
Smith A Willard	6	15
Albert D Morse	42	20
Andrew J Gilman	10	35
Forest H Rollins	11	25
William S Watson	3	75
Irad B Gilman	27	65
Moses W Flanders	3	64
Charles P Hayes	4	95
Melvin R Place	1	60
John L Weeks	8	10
Charles D Marston	1	42
John Stevens		75
Thomas J Alden	7	72
Cyrus Deane	3	75
Levi G Page	7	25
Calvin H Flanders	14	25
Harrison B Richer	13	15
A H Barnett	9	25

Paid Morris L Flanders	15	00
Calvin S Glidden	37	05
Seldon H Glidden	11	45
John E Varney	8	95
Ai T Gilman	20	00
Lewis E Avery	30	00
Orrin D Glidden	4	25
George F Glidden	9	00
Fred S Gilman	18	70
Llewellyn T White	15	60
Charles H Moulton	14	10
Charles H Clough	7	95
Fred I Woodman	4	20
John P Leavitt	4	95
Albert Ellis	3	15
John Tardif		75
John C Young	8	03
Dana Bradley	4	50
John McPhee	6	75
James W Goodall heirs	2	56
Warren E Bradley	1	65
Andrew J Pinkham	1	64
R W Price		90
Ira C Chamberlin	27	85
Sylvester B Huckins	12	75
Charles W Evans	5	75
John F Hanson	6	50
Charles Rand	1	50
Velzora A Dealand	10	75
William H Berry	8	66
John K Jones	9	65
Charles H Tebbetts	6	75
J N and G W Morrison	13	95
D H and Harry Morrison	9	65
Seth H Kimball	7	50

Paid A C and William Shaw	6 45
Jacob F Evans	5 25
Lester A Young	7 85
James W Howard	14 95
Charles A Barr	53
Charles H Downing	50
Jacob N Peterson	16 00
Charles E Fifield	3 35
Seth E Rollins	10 80
Calvin Rollins	15 23
Haven C Rollins	1 43
Arthur D Rollins	7 05
Edmund S Batchelder	1 20
Charles W Rollins	45
Charles G Drew	15 95
Fred E Drew	90
Willie M Stevens	53
Martin L M Kimball	5 00
Frank W Howard	4 60
George W Colbath	1 20
Hervey Glidden	1 50
James B Woodman	9 00
Alonzo B Lang	9 50
Julian Emerson	9 23
George Dore	3 60
Charles F Rand	2 70
Charles E Nutter	4 50
George W Horne	92
Edwin O Prescott	5 00
Edwin K Jenkins	7 13
Edgar P Seward	8 40
Eugene F Goodwin	2 50
Lewis A Proctor	23 00
Sewell E Roberts	21 09
George F Roberts	4 15

PaidStephen Shagnon	5 33
Edward S Walker	6 15
C C Rines heirs	51 60
Herbert E Morrell	4 05
Hervey G Hayes	2 55
Romeyn B Hurd	31 68
Hiram O Tuttle	8 40
Nathaniel Phillips	9 00
George W Rollins	24 10
Frank H Carpenter	6 00
Sumner Cotton	3 61
Clement B Rines	75
Alonzo Berry	2 40
Enos G Rollins	15 55
Leroy F Woodman	1 50
John N Avery	3 75
Albert H Hayes	4 00
Ira B Bennett	5 50
Joseph A Mooney	2 00
Edward Shagnon	2 40
Total	$1,304 49

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1907	$ 2,145 11	
Total receipts during the year	19,577 58	
Total		$21,722 69

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total disbursements during the year	19,411 33	
Cash on hand Feb 15, 1908	2,311 36	
Total		21,722 69

DEBT.

Liabilities Feb 15, 1907	9,357 00	
Assets " " "	3,056 31	
Debt of town Feb 15, 1907,		$6,300 69
Liabilities Feb 15, 1908	$7,133 15	
Assets " "	3,842 76	
Debt of town Feb 15,1908		$3,290 39
Decrease of debt		3,010 30

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1907	$ 2,145 11	
Taxes received from collector	14,174 39	
Railroad tax	1,084 17	
Savings bank tax	1,140 49	
Literary fund	117 12	
Proportion of school fund	283 33	
Belknap county, for support of paupers	273 37	
Dog license	335 17	
Miscellaneous items	2,169 54	
Total		$21,722 69

DISBURSEMENTS.

County paupers	$ 91 37
Town officers	588 52
Highway, summer work	2,318 22
" winter "	1,304 49
Supplies for schools	375 35
Support of schools	5,085 97
Damage by dogs	76 50

State tax	1,355 00	
County tax	1,822 74	
Fireman tax	105 00	
Memorial appropriation	50 00	
Town notes and interest	2,959 15	
Abatements 1906 taxes	28 81	
" 1907 "	92 87	
Dependent soldiers and families	182 00	
Miscellaneous	2,975 34	
Total		$19,411 33
Excess of receipts over disbursements		2,311 36
Total		$21,722 69

ASSETS.

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1908	$2,311 36	
1907 tax uncollected in hands of collector Feb 15, 1908	1,486 48	
Balance due from Belknap county	44 92	
Total		$3,842 76

LIABILITIES.

Due sundry parties on notes	$6,240 72	
School, literary fund	117 12	
" balance dog money	252 17	
Unexpended balance of permanent improvement fund	523 14	
Total		$7,133 15
Indebtedness of town		$3,290 39

DOG LICENSES.

Cash received for dog licenses	$335 17

PAYMENTS.

Damage by dogs	$ 76 50	
Expenses collecting	6 50	
Balance due schools	252 17	
Total		$335 17

TRUST FUNDS.

Carry B Nute, cemetery fund	$150 00	
Eveline L Palmer, library fund	500 00	
Total		$650 00

The foregoing report contains a synopsis of our financial transactions for the past official year, which we respectfully submit to the inhabitants of Alton. The winter highway work exceeds last year's expenditure by $708 49. A balance of $523 14 on the permanent improvement fund for the highways remains unexpended. Work had been contemplated, but on account of the scarcity of labor during the fall months, plans were not executed. This amount is charged against the town as a liability to be used for its original purpose in 1908. The town debt has been reduced $3,010 30.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. MCDUFFEE,
LEWIS H. LAMPREY,
FRANK M. AYER,
} Selectmen of Alton

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,
CHARLES H. DOWNING,
} Auditors.

Alton, N. H., Feb 15, 1908.

Report of Treasurer.

1907			
Mar 22	Balance cash in treasury . .		$2,145 11
Apr 3	Received of S E Jones, collector '06		300 00
June 3	"	W C Varney, dog license	165 60
8	"	S E Jones, collector 1906	39 89
25	"	W E Sanborn, collector .	325 00
July 1	"	W C Varney, dog license	134 67
1	"	L H Lamprey, selectman	15 19
5	"	L H Lamprey, show license	2 00
6	"	" selectman .	500 00
26	"	W E Sanborn, collector .	150 00
30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman	182 36
31	"	State License Commission	10 27
		" " "	135 00
Aug 16	"	W E Sanborn, collector	290 00
20	"	" " "	300 00
23	"	L H Lamprey, selectman	5 34
29	"	W E Sanborn, collector	400 00
Sept 10	"	" " "	500 00
21	"	" " "	200 00
28	"	" " "	100 00
Oct 8	"	" " "	325 00
14	"	L H Lamprey, selectman	77 31
28	"	W E Sanborn, collector	300 00
Nov 12	"	" " "	400 00
19	"	" " "	500 00
30	"	" " "	900 00

Nov 30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman railroad tax	1,084 17
30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman savings bank tax	1,140 49
30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman literary fund	117 12
30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman school fund	283 33
Dec 5	"	W E Sanborn, collector	700 00
6	"	" " "	500 00
9	"	C H McDuffee, selectman	177 87
17	"	W E Sanborn, collector	700 00
1908			
Jan 11	"	W E Sanborn, collector	800 00
17	"	" " "	1,600 00
Feb 3	"	C H McDuffee, selectman	46 92
5	"	" " "	95 50
10	"	W C Varney, dog license	34 90
11	"	F M Ayer, selectman	101 00
12	"	W E Sanborn, collector	360 00
14	"	" " "	1,108 81
15	"	C H McDuffee, selectman	160 00
	Cash received		$ 17 412 85

CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDER.

1907		
Mar 22	Paid Charles E Tuttle	$15 00
29	Pearl S Bassett	12 50
Apr 5	Frank A Varney	500 00
5	Farmington News Co	82 56
6	Edson C Eastman	4 25
16	Lewis P Varney	27 20
22	Margaret A Wadleigh	60 00
27	Fred E Nutter	1 25

May 4	Alton Electric Light & Power Co	10 00
4	Margaret A Wadleigh	500 00
14	Frank A Varney	500 00
23	Alonzo S French	181 30
30	M H Savage Post No 49	50 00
June 15	Frank A Varney	500 00
22	Pearl S Bassett	12 50
22	J H Downing Co	40 00
July 1	Mindwell Whitehouse	25 00
2	Frank A Varney	300 00
11	Albert J Jones	138 22
12	John E Card	4 25
13	Lewis E Avery	15 50
22	Orin Lamper	1 20
Aug 3	Calvin S Glidden	5 00
5	S B Cole, county treasurer, per receipt	911 37
28	Charles E Hutchins	50 00
Sept 3	Elbridge G Ellis	17 75
10	Frank A Varney	500 00
10	Geo W Place	47 85
11	Gilbert Barker Mfg Co	27 21
21	Geo W Horne	25 00
25	Clement B Rines	6 00
Oct 4	Frank A Varney	500 00
12	Pearl S Bassett	12 50
15	W M Stevens	6 75
Nov 2	Frank A Varney	500 00
4	William Hayes	74 10
4	Frank M Ayer	60 00
20	Joseph Leland	3 00
27	Frank A Varney	500 00
29	Mindwell Whitehouse	100 00
29	Stephen Shagnon	5 00
29	P H Wheeler	7 50

Nov 29	J H Downing Co	46 00
29	The Downing Co	30 52
29	Alton Electric Light & Power Co	10 00
30	Solon A Carter, state tax per receipt	1,355 00
Dec 6	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co	500 00
7	W P Emerson	64 50
7	" "	1 37
7	" "	64 50
12	Pearl S Bassett	12 50
20	Frank A Varney	500 00
31	S B Cole, county treasurer, per receipt	911 37
1908		
Jan 3	Albert J Jones	237 13
12	James Dobbins	21 25
12	Alton Electric Light & Power Co	10 00
15	Gilbert Barker Mfg Co	27 12
27	George W Leavitt	16 00
31	E R Wright	1 50
31	Frank A Varney	500 00
31	J H Downing Co	18 00
Feb 1	Alonzo S French	508 75
3	P H Wheeler	4 50
3	" "	3 50
3	Edward W Cummings	1 25
3	Alonzo S French	17 50
3	" "	2 00
4	Everett W Emerson	1 00
8	Edson C Eastman	15 00
8	Lewis P Varney	1 00
8	Ira W Mitchell	2 00
8	" "	2 85
8	Frank M Ayer	4 00
8	" "	5 00
8	" "	41 55

Feb 8	Waldo C Varney	3 00
8	Alonzo B Lang	5 00
8	Laban G Welch	7 00
8	Oscar Duncan	15 65
8	J H Fifield	5 00
10	Forrest H Rollins	3 00
10	C E Hutchins	20 00
10	" "	19 51
10	E W Francis	24 00
10	Frank L Emerson	75
10	Willis P Emerson	2 25
	" "	13 50
	" "	13 50
10	Edwin K Jenkins	3 00
10	Meville Adams	73 25
11	Joseph W Howard	3 00
11	Herbert A Garland	4 95
11	Jones & Lamprey	1 05
12	Charles H Downing	5 00
12	Charles E Fifield	33 25
12	Willis P Emerson	50 20
13	George W Place	6 67
	" "	23 00
	" "	12 50
	" "	43 50
	" "	30 00
14	Frank A Varney	15 00
	" "	285 97
14	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co	299 00
14	Herbert J Jones	100 00
14	J Jones & Son	9 48
14	Willie E Sanborn	2 00
14	Margaret A Wadleigh	548 33
14	Waldo C Varney	64 60
14	Albert J Jones	20 00

Feb 14	Lewis H Lamprey	69 24
14	Arthur D Rollins . . .	20 00
14	F M Ayer	82 50
14	David H Morrison	3 00
14	Harry Morrison	3 00
14	Alta H McDuffee	30 00
14	W P Emerson	3 00
14	C H Downing	3 00
14	Laban G Welch	50 00
14	C C Mooney	1 20
14	Charles H McDuffee	129 19
14	Percy S Jones	5 50
15	Stephen C Wentworth . . .	16 56
15	Alonzo S French	1,000 00
15	Esther A Varney	317 32
15	Page D Gooch, guardian	325 65
Total	. . . . .	$15,101 49
Balance in treasurey		2,311 36
		$17,412 85

LABAN G. WELCH, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast,

WILLIS P. EMERSON,
CHARLES H. DOWNING, } Auditors.

ALTON, N. H., FEBRUARY 15, 1908.

School Report.

In conformity to the statute requirements the school board herewith submits the following as their twenty-second annual report of the public schools of the town of Alton.

West Alton.

Spring term of ten weeks taught by Edith Fox, fall term of twenty weeks taught by Louie M. Small.

Mountain.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Gertrude E Phipps, fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Carolyn E May.

Clough.

Spring term of eleven weeks, fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Mabel G. Rice

McDuffee.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Elizabeth C. Davis, fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Eva M Harris.

High School.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Walter M. May, principal, and Gertrude R. Coppinger, assistant. Fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Nelson S. Mitchell, principal, and Fannie G. de Rochemont, assistant. The winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

Grammar

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Gertrude E. McGrath, fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Grace E. Lord. A winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

Intermediate.

Spring term of eleven weeks, fall term of fifteen weeks, and winter term of ten weeks now in progress, taught by Margaret H. Manning.

Primary.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Bertha M. Stevens, fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Elizabeth T Whitehouse, substitute. A winter term of ten weeks now in progress taught by Bertha M. Stevens.

Receipts and Disbursements.

RECEIPTS

Balance in hands of district treasurer Feb 15 1907	$ 171 97	
Raised by tax for support of schools	3,232 50	
" " " of winter term of high school	300 00	
Raised by tax for support of winter term of village school	350 00	
Raised by tax for repairs	500 00	
State (School Supervision)	283 33	
Literary fund	127 49	
Dog money	297 65	
Tuition from Epsom	12 50	
" " "	5 50	
" " "	7 50	
Due from town from last year	34 81	
	$5,323 25	
Less Gooch Abatement	5 00	
Total		5,318 25

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid teachers' salaries	$3,158 41	
for fuel and fitting same	228 73	
for repairs	355 44	
for superintendent	583 33	
for transportation	234 80	
tuition paid other towns	61 25	
janitor	174 93	
miscellaneous	154 74	
Cash in hands of district treasurer	366 62	
		$5,318 25
Due from Mark Harris	10 50	
" " Mr. Munsey	15 00	

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS
ALTA H. McDUFFEE
ALBERT J. JONES
} School Board of Alton

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing acount, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON
CHARLES H. DOWNING
} Auditors.

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1908.

School District Treasurer's Report.

CASH RECEIVED.

1907.		
Mar 18	Balance in treasury	$171 97
Apr 5	Received of Laban G Welch, treasurer .	500 00
May 10	" " " .	500 00
June 15	" " " . .	500 00
July 2	" " " . .	300 00
Sept 10	" " " . .	500 00
Oct 4	" " "	500 00
Nov 2	" " " . .	500 00
" 27	" " " .	500 00
Dec 20	" " " . .	500 00
" "	Received of town of Epsom, tuition . . .	18 00
1908.		
Jan 2	Mrs C H McDuffee, sum due school dist from last year	34 81
Jan 28	Laban G Welch, treasurer	500 00
Feb 10	Town of Guilford, tuition	7 50
Feb 14	Laban G Welch, treasurer	285 97
	Total	$5,318 25

Cash Paid Out.

1907			
Mar	18	Paid B L Blaisdell	$ 17 25
	25	Edith M Fox	63 00
Apr	1	Gilmanton school district . .	25 00
	3	Gertrude McGrath	40 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	40 00
	5	Bertha M Stevens	40 00
	6	Margaret Manning	60 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	10 00
	10	Walter M May	135 00
	13	Gertrude E McGrath	10 00
	24	Bertha M Stevens	30 00
	25	Eva M Harris	21 00
	27	Gertrude E McGrath	30 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	30 00
		B L Blaisdell	19 00
	29	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Maud Whitehouse	13 00
	30	Julian Emerson	8 00
May	9	S P Barnes	3 00
	11	Gertrude E Phipps	32 00
	13	Gertrude Coppinger	20 00
	16	Frank A Varney	120 00
	17	Gertrude K Coppinger	10 00
		Eva M Harris	28 00
	18	Bertha M Stevens	40 00
		Gertrude E McGrath	30 00
	22	Margaret Manning	30 00
	31	Walter M May	67 50
June	6	Gertrude K Coppinger	20 00
	11	Albert J Jones	7 75

June	13	Gertrude E Phipps	32 00
	14	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Carroll T Jones	21 00
	15	Gertrude E McGrath	40 00
		Gertrude K Coppinger	20 00
		Eva M Harris	28 00
	17	B L Blaisdell	29 00
		Bertha M Stevens	40 00
		Walter M May	101 25
	19	Frank A Varney	180 00
	25	Miss G E Phipps	17 60
	27	Elizabeth Davis	66 00
	28	Mabel Rice	88 00
July	2	Effie M Prescott	77 00
		Ai T Gilman and Arthur Cotton	60 00
	10	Alta H McDuffee	10 00
		"	14 14
		"	3 00
		Albert J Jones	2 50
		R J Sisk	10 82
	11	C H W Jones	18 00
Sept	9	Chas W Emerson	19 00
	10	H H Bennett	46 80
		Geo W Place	80 95
	14	Chas W Emerson	31 00
	20	Rachel Moore	19 18
	30	Mrs Leroy Woodman	6 00
Oct	1	Mabel G Rice	34 00
	2	B L Blaisdell	8 32
	4	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Carolyn E May	32 00
	5	Fannie G de Rochemont	40 00
		Grace E Lord	40 00
	9	B L Blaisdell	20 00
	10	Nelson S Mitchell	65 00

Oct	11	Eva M Harris	28 00
	15	C N Crowell	12 94
	22	Geo A Dore	2 70
	25	Mrs Leroy Woodman	8 00
Nov	1	The Downing Co	76 30
	2	Rochester Lumber Co	28 00
		L Woodman	13 50
		J R Jones	3 00
		Chas H Jones	4 00
		Margaret Manning	40 00
		Fannie G de Rochemont	40 00
		Grace E Lord	40 00
		Nelson S Mitchell	65 00
		B L Blaisdell	20 00
		Harry L Moore	113 34
	4	Eva M Harris	28 00
	7	Fred E Nutter	6 65
	8	Mrs Leroy Woodman	6 00
	13	Elizabeth T Whitehouse	30 00
	16	Louie M Small	70 00
	18	Clarence E Rollins	7 50
	21	Chester A Twombly	21 50
	23	Rachel B Moore	8 68
	27	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Grace E Lord	40 00
		Fannie G de Rochemont	40 00
	30	B L Blaisdell	22 43
		Mrs Leroy Woodman	9 00
Dec	2	Carolyn E May	32 00
		Wolfeboro School District	36 25
	5	Elizabeth T Whitehouse	40 00
	7	Eva M Harris	28 00
	11	Mabel G Rice	25 50
	13	Harry L Moore	56 67
	14	Carolyn E May	56 00

Dec	14	Nelson S Mitchell	65 00
		Grace E Berry	30 50
	19	Mrs Leroy Woodman	9 00
	20	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Grace E Lord	30 00
		Fannie G de Rochemont	30 00
		Elizabeth T Whitehouse	30 00
	21	Eva M Harris	21 00
		B L Blaisdell	15 00
	27	C A Twombly	45 00
	29	Louie M Small	28 00
	30	S E Colbath & Co	12 95
	31	Ai T Gilman	75 00
1908			
Jan	3	Albert D Varney	16 50
		Mrs Leroy Woodman	4 00
		Mabel G Rice	34 00
	7	Nelson S Mitchell	65 00
	17	Miss Martha Atkinson	20 00
	20	Mrs Leroy Woodman	9 00
	21	Alta H McDuffee	30 00
		J L Hammet Co	11 88
		Fred Brown	1 50
		Jay Gilman	1 00
	22	Arthur D Rollins	5 01
		Grace B Dow	2 00
		Arthur D Rollins	14 50
	23	Harry L Moore	56 66
	25	Mrs Leroy Woodman	3 00
		B L Blaisdell	15 00
	27	Eva M Harris	28 00
	30	Carolyn E May	32 00
	31	Bertha M Stevens	40 00
Feb	1	Fannie G de Rochemont	20 00
		Grace E Lord	40 00

Feb	3	W P Emerson	11 77
	8	Louie M Small	42 00
	11	Chas H Davis	14 30
		Margaret Manning	40 00
	12	Fannie G de Rochemont	20 00
		Grace E Lord	20 00
		Carolyn C Varney	10 00
	13	Geo W Place	83 33
		Calvin Rollins	13 50
		Seth E Grant	9 20
		Rachel B Moore	7 70
		Nelson S Mitchell	65 00
		Alton & Alton Bay Water Co	10 00
		J Jones & Son	50 14
		Mabel G Rice	59 50
		B L Blaisdell	17 25
	14	H L Moore	56 66
		A J Jones	21 50
	Total		$4,951 37
	Balance in treasury		366 88
	Total		$5,318 25

FRANK A. VARNEY, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON
CHARLES H. DOWNING } Auditors.

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1908.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

To the school board and citizens of Alton:—

I have the honor to submit to you my first annual report as superintendent of your public schools. This report will be intentionally brief as my term of service has yet covered but half the school year.

In Part I, I call your attention briefly to some general matters of educational interest, in Part II to a statement of school conditions in Alton, together with figures and recommendations relating thereto.

PART I.

A NEW EDUCATIONAL IDEAL.

The ideal of education in the United States is changing. Heretofore, even from the early years of the public school system, the ideal has been for good citizenship; such a training as would lead to a love of country and a disposition to obey its laws, to a strength of moral character, and a power to think and to act intelligently. Such a citizenship was considered all-essential to the highest welfare of the state. And it was for the state that all education existed. Education for utility was never considered the function of the public school.

But this is changing. With the increased business activity of the past generation, has arisen a new demand upon the school. And with this demand a consequent change of view as to the proper ideal which education should assume. The

school should take to itself a new burden. It should add to its effort for good citizenship, in all that the term has formerly implied, that of training along specific vocational lines. In other words, the ideal should become in part utilitarian.

This movement is wide spread. It includes what is commonly termed industrial education, or education for the work shop and the factory; commercial education, or education for the office and the store; and most important and recent of all, agricultural education, or education for the farm.

In the cities and manufacturing centres of the country the industrial and commercial phases are making rapid strides. Smaller towns and rural communities are becoming interested in agricultural training. New Hampshire has already recognized the movement by the adoption of commercial and mechanic arts courses for her high schools, and courses in agriculture for all schools. None of these courses are yet required, but optional with each school district.

The demand for such training at public expense is real and deep set. But there is danger in overestimating its value. Good citizenship must still remain the paramount aim of the public school, at least under democratic institutions.

RESULTS FROM THE COMMON SCHOOL.

What results may the public reasonably expect at the end of the common school course? It is difficult, often impossible, to estimate educational values. I cannot attempt it here. Yet in general terms the following may be reasonably expected of the average child at the end of an eight or nine year's course:

The ability to read and write simple English, and to figure within his comprehension with a fair degree of accuracy.

A knowledge of a few simple facts of geography, history and science.

A knowledge of the right with a disposition to act the right.

And, as a result of the above, with the attendant mental training received, POWER to think, to develop and to grow.

This is the best the school can do. It cannot MAKE a good citizen. That is a process of years. It can merely set the child upon the right track and give him a start, but only a start. It cannot furnish the motive power.

Do the schools of the present day fairly effect these results? I believe they do, and with better success as the years go by.

Certain facts must be borne in mind, however, or our estimate becomes unjust. First, that the child is but a child. His is an immature mind, lacking in that comprehension and confidence bred only by years and experience. The law considers him an infant until 21, and with reason. It is hardly just to expect him to prove the equal of his seniors in knowledge or in accuracy even in the lines of his daily school work, nor should the school be held wholly at fault at his failure. It is all too true that the successful man, an expert in his own line, views with disdain in another, be he man, woman or child, anything less than his own proficiency. The child is a child, and the human mind develops slowly.

In the second place tangible results of school training always depend upon the individual pupil's capacity. The school must take the children as they come, the brilliant, the dull, the indifferent. It cannot make its own selection. Equal results cannot justly be expected of all.

Finally, the public often expects more than it is willing to give in return. Granted the existence of poor schools, they are always the result of poor teachers. And poor teachers are the result of poor salaries.

I believe in the public school of today. Many defects exist; they always have and they always will. But in spite of these defects it is universally conceded that the school is giving the child a better training, a better start, today than it has ever given before.

PART II.

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

The requirements made upon the secondary schools of the state are high. The courses outlined as a basis for state approval are broad and thorough. It is the intention that a high school diploma shall be evidence of four years of hard, honest study.

This means a faithful effort every day of the term on the part of the students. The student should ever hope to obtain from his course in the shape of knowledge, mental training of power more than he is willing to put in, in the way of persistent and honest effort. His high school life is but four years of his larger life. Study is his business.

An option has been provided for between Latin and some other study each year of the course. This is intended for beginners who prefer the English to the Latin course, and for those who, at the end of any year, desire to change from one to the other. I believe that no pupil should ever be allowed to substitute one study for another during the school year merely on the grounds of dislike or inadaptability. The moral strength due to persistency in overcoming difficult places is often worth far more to the student than the value of the study involved.

For an outline of the approved high school course I refer you to the appendix.

REPAIRS.

Repairs during the year have been confined to the Clough, Mountain, and West Alton schools. The Clough and Mountain buildings have been thoroughly renovated. Hard wood floors have been laid, plastering repaired and walls repainted. They now are in good condition. Minor repairs have been made on the building at West Alton.

Much is still needed. It is but a question of time when the village building must be either extensively remodeled, or replaced by a larger and more modern building. The three rooms are now filled to their full seating capacity, The temporary room in the block is also filled. This room is hardly fit for school room purposes, to say nothing of its entirely inadequate sanitary and toilet facilities. The school enrolment is increasing. It is becoming a pressing matter, one the district must soon decide.

ATTENDANCE.

I would urge upon parents the importance of a more regular and punctual attendance. A day out is a day lost. It cannot be made up. Each time a child is tardy makes it easier for him to be tardy again. A habit is being formed detrimental to his school work and pernicious in all his later life.

Our per cent of attendance is low, our tardiness high. For a detailed statement I refer you to the final table of this report.

It is probably true that the illiterate man earns $150 more than is necessary to supply his physical needs each year from the ages of 25 to 55; the man with a common school education averages $300 in the same time; the high school graduate $600; and the college trained man $1200. This fact applied to the boy in school means that every day he spends in school is worth $10 to him; every day he is out costs him $10.

MONTHLY REPORT CARDS

The attention of parents is particularly called to the monthly cards brought home by the children. These cards give the pupil's standing in each of his respective studies, also his deportment, and instances of tardiness and half days absence during the preceding month. These cards the parent is requested to sign and return to the teacher. It is not

the intention, however, that they be merely signed and returned, but that they be carefully examined, and each item duly noted. They are the school's means of keeping the parents informed of what the children are doing.

I would urge parents to investigate at once any unsatisfactory report. Visit the school, consult the teacher and encourage the child. The school is doing its best with the facilities placed at its command, but fails of highest results without the intelligent cooperation of the home.

CONSOLIDATION AND TRANSPORTATION.

Three rural schools have been closed this year, those at the Gore, Loon Cove and the Bay. The pupils are now transported to the village at the expense of the district

Some, I believe, question the wisdom of this action from the standpoint of the pupils affected. They are receiving better schooling, longer terms, at less per capita expense. I need not enter into a discussion of this phase of the matter. It has been well presented in the report of my predecessor. I shall simply outline the legal aspect of the problem in general, and its application to the present situation in Alton in particular.

The school law reads as follows: "The school board of every district shall provide schools at such places within the district and at such times in each year as will best subserve the interests of education, and will give to all scholars of the district as nearly equal advantages as may be practicable.

They may use a portion of the school money, not exceeding twenty-five per cent, for the purpose of conveying scholars to and from the schools. Chapter 92, Section 1.

"Every person having the custody and control of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen . . . residing in a school district in which a public school is annually taught shall cause such child to attend the public school all the time such school is in session." Chapter 93, Section 14.

The vital question then for the school board to decide in determining whether or not a school shall be closed is: Will it best subserve the interests of education in the WHOLE DISTRICT to close the school? Is the number of pupils so small that the cost per capita in maintaining the school is all out of proportion to the cost per capita in another school in another part of the district? If in school No. 1 the cost is $23 per pupil for a thirty weeks term, and in school No. 2, $13 per pupil fer a thirty-six weeks term, is there being an approximately equal distribution of pubilc funds? Is it giving to all schools of the district as nearly equal educational advantages as are practicable? These questions the board must decide.

It is not a question for them at all as to whether it will be best for any particular section of the district, nor whether or not it will best serve the convenience of Mr. A or Mr. B. It is a matter of broad educational policy.

If, in the judgment of the board, the best educational interests of the district will be promoted, and a more equal distribution of educational advantages be provided by closing the school, it is their duty to close it. The board also must decide as to whether the children affected shall walk to the next nearest school, or be transported.

In brief, the school board are not required by law to maintain a school it they believe it should be closed, nor are they required to convey children for all distances over and above a given distance.

The parent, on the other hand, is bound under the law to abide by the judgment of the board, and to send his children regularly to the schools provided. But he is not bound to require his children to walk an unreasonable distance nor to attend under circumstances which he believes detrimental to their welfare.

The matter of unreasonable distance for children to walk should be settled by parents and board together upon the merits of each individual case. The law fails to specify, recognizing that what may be unreasonable in one case may often be entirely reasonable in another. Actual distance, age and sex of children, condition of roads, etc., are all involved. In case no agreement can be reached, the matter becomes a case for the jury.

But where transportation is conceded necessary the board cannot compel a parent to convey his own children, even for pay, if the parent refuses to do so. Here again parent and board must work together.

To sum up, quoting from the state superintendent of public instruction: "The parent can compel neither the school board nor the district to furnish either a school or a conveyance. The school board cannot compel the parent to require his child to walk an unreasonable distance, nor yet can it compel him to convey the child to the nearest school."

The situation in Alton is apparently this: Children from sections of the district where schools have been closed are being transported to the village at public expense. Parents in other parts of the district have become dissatisfied on the ground that their children have been and are now obliged to walk a greater distance than the above are being carried. In other words, the district is transporting children one mile, for instance, while other children a mile and a half or two miles from school must walk or be carried by parents.

In so far as this is true an inconsistency certainly exists. There is no denying the fact. It is one of the immediate consequences often attending the closing of a school where insufficient funds are available for extended transportation.

The remedy is this: First for the district to raise an appropriation at its annual meeting large enough in its judgment to cover such expenses of transportation as it deems reason-

able. This is all the district can do. Here a wide field for difference of opinion arises. What is a reasonable amount? The law only specifies a sum not over twenty-five per cent of school money.

Second, for the board and parents directly interested to meet and come to a proper agreement either by deciding to take each case separately on its own merits, or, failing in this, by unitedly agreeing upon some reasonable distance over and above which the board shall convey the children or pay the parent a daily wage for so doing.

But whatever action be taken, two things should be rigidly guarded against: the introduction of any taint of personal feeling, and the idea that parents should be paid or in any way compensated for sending their children to school. The first results in a gross injustice to the children and the entire educational welfare of the district, the second in a low misconception of a public duty and a public privilege, the end of which is simple graft.

IN GENERAL.

I would commend to you the report of my predecessor in his recommendations for the schools of Alton, the following n particular:

That beginners be allowed to enter only in the fall term, and then not under a certain age.

That whenever possible all teachers be hired by the year.

That definite days be assigned for the payment of teachers, preferably the Saturday of every fourth week, also the final week of the term.

I would add further that each teacher be allowed at least one day during the year for visiting other schools, and suggest for this purpose the schools of Laconia, Rochester. and Dover, also the model school at Plymouth.

The schools all are working in harmony and well. I would commend the teachers for their faithful effort.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation to school board, teachers and pupils for their cordial support.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. Moore, Superindendent.

Alton, N. H., February 14, 1908.

Roll of Honor.

FALL TERM 1907.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Dorothy Collins
Gertrude Colbath
Gladys Dodge
Mildred Davis
Edna Gilman
Marjory Twombly
Edith Webber
Edith Welch
Raymond Duncan
Edward Downing.
Stephen Gilman

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Albert Adams
Wallace Adams
Pearl Hanson
John Hanson

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Ella Adams
Doris Stiles
Gladys Smith

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Joseph Chandler
Rexford Normand
Eddie Smith
Helen Gilman
Doris McDuffee
Hazel Ricker
Mina Smith
Edna Whitehouse
Helen Whitehouse

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY.

LATIN COURSE		ENGLISH COURSE	
		FIRST YEAR	
Latin	5	Arithmetic	5
Algebra	5	Algebra	5
English	5	English	5
History	5	History	5
		SECOND YEAR	
Latin	5	Biology	5
French	5	French	5
Geometry	5	Geometry	5
English	5	English	5
		THIRD YEAR	
Latin	5	Mathematics	5
French	5	French	5
English	5	English	5
Physics	5	Physics	5
		FOURTH YEAR	
Latin	4	Chemistry	4
French	4	French	4
English	4	English	4
U S History	4	U S History	4
Mathematics	4	Mathematics	4

NOTE

The figures denote the number of recitation periods per week in each of the respective studies. They also represent the number of credits a student receives at the end of the year on satisfactorily completing the subject. Eighty credits are required for a diploma.

REPORT *of* FALL TERM, 1907

School	Teacher	Total No. Pupils Boys	Girls	Ave. Daily Atten	Ave. Daily Absent	Percent of Atten	Cases of Tardy	Visits of Parent
Village Prim.	Mrs. Whitehouse	16	18	26.84	2.18	92.48	45	16
Village Int.	Miss Manning	11	17	24.50	1.59	93.90	41	15
Village Gram.	Miss Lord	16	14	24.61	2.47	90.87	49	9
High School	N S. Mitchell Miss DeRochemont	16	22	34.93	3.07	91.92	6	22
Clough	Miss Rice	7	6	6.14	3.82	61.64	22	11
McDuffee	Miss Harris	5	3	6.47	.76	89.48	13	25
Mountain	Miss May	10	9	15.71	2.67	85.47	1.06	12
West Alton	Miss Small	7	5	7.03	2.36	74.85	45	38
		88	94	146.23	18.92	88.54	3.27	1.48

Library Report

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To cash on hand Feb 15, 1907	$ 20 03		
May 24 to cash received from town treasurer	181 30		
Feb 3 Eveline L Palmer fund	17 50		
Total			$218 83

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By cash paid News agency	$ 20 60	
Express on books	1 80	
Charles Lanna, books	117 25	
Annie M Wright, making catalog	5 00	
Farmington News, Printing	9 50	
G C Neal, binding books	19 25	
H H Bennett, making bookcase	12 00	
A C Cotton, book for library	2 90	
F E Nutter, painting bookcase	2 75	
Outlook for library	1 50	
J Jones & Son, curtain bookcase	94	
Freight on books	25	
Curtain rod for bookcase	18	
Postage	33	
By cash on hand Feb 15, 1908	24 58	
Total		$218 83
Number of books in library		8,087
" loaned for year		5,375

Respectfully submitted

ALONZO S FRENCH,
OLIVER J M GILMAN,
ANNA M WRIGHT,
} Library Trustees

Deaths Registered in the town of Alton, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age. Years.	Months.	Days.	Place of Birth.	S and C* Male.	Female.	Color.	S, M or W.†	Occupation.	Place of Birth. Father.	Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.
Jan 21	Rose Smith	35			Alton		F	w	S		Rochester	Alton	Freeman Smith		Stoppage of Bowels
Apr 12	J G W Jones	87				M			W	Farmer	Farmington		Jonathan Jones	Mary Watson	Congestion of Lungs
16	Tamson Hill	81	9	22			F		w				R Wallingford	Rch'd'aWallinf'd	Old Age
June 7	C Emily Varney	66	6	13			F		w		Alton	Ossipee	Benj'n Twombly	Mary Ayer	Paralysis
July 1	Verna BEmers'n	13	7	18	Dover		F		S	Housekeeper		Biddef'd Me	H S Emerson	Mary E Hobbs	Diphtheria
15	Nathan A Allen		1	27	Alton	M			S		Middleboro	NovaScotia	Tho's J Allen	M MacLoughlin	Mal nutrition
Aug 18	Mary E Elliott	80	5	29			F		w				David Morrison	Sophia Nutter	Complication of Diseases
Nov 9	Deborah J Chase	85					F		w				James McDuffee		Old Age
22	Harriet Gilman	55	7	13	Hooksett		F		M	Housewife			George Moulton	Sarah J Crooker	Cancer of Liver

Births Registered in the Town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

Date of Birth.	Name of the Child. (If any.)	Sex-Condition. Male.	Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No of Child. 1st, 2d, etc.	Color.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father* / Age of Mother*
Feb 18	Vittum	M		L	2	w	Chester A Vittum	Nathalia A Whittier	w	Alton	Teamster	Sandwich	Lynn Mass	24 22
Apr 10	Chamberlain	M			4		George S Chamberlain	Maud Hurd			Farmer	Alton	Alton	37 38
23	Prescott		F		8		George R Prescott	Lillian M Jones			Carpenter			45 39
23	King	M			3		Joseph J King	Stella Day			Photographer	New York N Y	Tuftonboro	35 29
May 15	Elsie May Dore		F		4		Wm H Dore	Grace L Rollins			Farmer	Alton	New Durham	35 32
18	Alden	M			3		Thomas J Alden	Marguerite McLaughlin				Middleboro Mass	Nova Scotia	36 33
24	Glidden	M			6		Willis Glidden	Jennie Buzzell				Alton	Alton	41 33
June 27	Wells	M			4		Ernest L Wells	Laura Jones			Laborer		Gilmanton	21 25
July 12	Gray	M			3		Frank W Gray	Eldora Shackford			Teamster	New Durham	Lynn Mass	37 31
Aug 11	Durgin	M			1		Walter W Durgin	Susie Nutter			Farmer	Alton	Milton	30 27
26	Perry		F		2		Woodard Perry	Edith Dow			Engineer	Rockland Me	Warren Me	30 30
Sept 22	Lovett	M			3		Charles S Lovett	Maud M Jones			Pilot	Laconia	Alton	35 23
24	Mona M Gilman		F		4		Forest L Gilman	Ada M Rollins			Foreman R R	Alton		40 40
27	Willard	M			5		Smith A Willard	Sadie E Lamper			Shoemaker			40 25
Oct 7	C L Woodman	M			2		Walter Woodman	Myrtle M Flanders			Farmer		Windsor Vt	25 21
Dec 24	Carl Ed Rines	M			2		Alison E Rines,	Lotta I Walker					Alton	30 25
27	Heon		F				Joseph Heon	Agnes Heon				Canada	Lawrence Mass	36 24

Marriages Registered in the town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years.	Color of Each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan 5	Alton	Alwood F Smith	Alton	21	w	Laborer	Alton	Arthur W Smith	Alton	Boxmaker	1	E W Cummings Clergyman
		Josephine Kimball	Wolfeboro	20		Weaver	Wolfeboro	Carrie B Heath	Gilmanton	Housekeeper		
Jan 17	Alton	Frank A Lougee	Alton	34		Clerk	Alton	James R Corson	Wolfboro	Millhand	2	Alton N H
		Minnie B Miller	Brat'l'b'ro Vt	27		Nurse	SoHamptonNB	Annie L Smith	Dover	Housekeeper		
Feb 14	Laconia	Ellsworth H Rollins	Alton	45		LumberDealer	Alton	David S Lougee	Alton	Farmer	1	E W Cummings Clergyman
		Maud Weymouth	Laconia	35		Teacher	Belmont	Laura A Jones		Housewife		
Mar 23	Alton	Alvader D Horne	Alton	32		Shoemaker	Alton	Leonard W Miller	Southampton N B	Farmer	1	Alton N H
		Myrtle I Sullivan	H'verh'l M'ss	26		Stitcher	Dorchester NB	Nancy Cummings		Housewife		
Apr 25	Portland Me	Julian Emerson	Alton	42		Fireman	Alton	Enos G Rollins	Alton	Farmer	1	Richard L Swain Clergyman
		Almena L Doane	Portland Me	44		Dress Maker	Portland Me	Mary A Piper		Housewife		
May 25	Alton	Henry H Emerson	Alton	66		Painter	Alton	H'rmanWeymouth	Belmont	Farmer	1	Laconia N H
		Sophia C Sumner	New Durham	60		Housekeeper	Biddeford Me	Abbie L Smith	Meredith	Housewife		
July 10	Farmington	Clarence A Horne	Alton	23		Box Maker	Alton	George H Horne	Alton	Farmer	1	E W Cummings Clergyman
		Annie L Foster	Alton	16		Housekeeper	Beverly Mass	Dorothy A Young		Housewife		
Sept 24	Wolfeboro	Willis H Clough	Alton	23		Shoemaker	Alton	Niel Sullivan	Dorchester N B	Farmer	1	Alton N H
		Ruby L Thompson	Wolfeboro	19		Housekeeper	Wolfeboro	Eliza Bishop		Housewife		
Sept 21	Alton	Herbert L Bruce	Som'rs'lleMe	38		Blacksmith	Somerville Me	Seth R Emerson	Alton	Shoemaker	2	Henry Blanchard Clergyman
		Grace L Kilgore	Norway Me	19		Housekeeper	Norway Me	Emily O Grant		Housekeeper		
Oct 2	Farmington	John P Hurd	Alton	23		Clerk	Milton	Henry Doane	Chatam Cape Cod	Master Marine	1	Portland Me
		Grace B Hayes	Farmington	25		Music Teacher	Rochester	Marg'tJ Pasbach	Germany	Housekeeper		
Dec 14	Lawrence Mass	Walter E Tuttle	Alton	19		Box Maker	Milton	Walter G Emerson	Alton	Merchant	3	E W Cummings Clergyman
		Edna L Brown	Law'rnce Ms	19		Dress Maker	Alton	Betsey H Flanders		Housewife		
Dec 18	Vinal Haven Me	Guy Varney	Alton	26		Clerk	Alton	Isaac Goodrich	Kennebunk Me	Tax Collector	3	Alton N H
		Carolyn M Crockett	Vinal Haven	28		School Teacher	Vinal Haven	Lousia Goodrich	Hollis Me	Housewife		
								Alonzo F Horne	Alton	Shoemaker	1	John H Wilkins Clergyman
								Sarah A Canney	Melvin Village	Housewife		
								Charles Foster	Salem Mass	Painter	1	Farmington
								Sarah W Mason		Housewife		
								Charles H Gough	Alton	Farmer	1	W J Hall Clergyman
								Eldora Bandall	New Durham	Housewife		
								M P Thompson	Ossipee	Engineer	1	Wolfeboro N H
								Josephine Edgerly	Tuftonboro	Housewife		
								Stah Bruce	Somerville Me	Millwright	1	E W Cummings Clergyman
								Sidney E Rand	Boston Mass	Housekeeper		
								Webster L Kilgore	Norway Me	Clerk	1	Alton N H
								Lillian Burnham		Housewife		
								George E Hurd	Milton	Section man	3	John H Wilkins Clergyman
								Ida E Pinkham		Housewife		
								James B Hayes	Farmington	Shoe Foreman	1	Farmington N H
								Hattie N Tash	New Durham	Housewife		
								Charles E Tuttle	Middleton	Sawyer	1	Benjamin Kingsley Clergyman
								Rosetta Dore	Milton	Housewife		
								Andrew J Brown	Alton	Farmer	1	Lawrence Mass
								Abbie Jones		Housewife		
								Ellsu Varney		Merchant	1	Isaac H Libistone Clergyman
								Ellen E Roberts	Salmon Falls	Housekeeper		
								George W Crockett	Vinal Haven	Merchant	1	Vinal Haven Me
								Joseph'neWentw'h	Rockport Me	Housewife		

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,

WALDO C. VARNEY, Town Clerk.